



FOUNDATION FACT SHEET

A statewide public education foundation 501(C)(3), IRS #94-3164867, established to assist, support and enhance public education programs in Nevada.

Mission

The Mission of the Nevada Public Education Foundation is to secure and sustain resources that will assist, support and enhance excellence in public education programs in Nevada.

Goals of the Foundation are:

- To secure funds to aid, support and assist the public education system in Nevada through recognition of exceptional teachers, students and public schools
- To secure funds to improve the educational performance or learning opportunities for students and/or teachers in public education
- To serve as an innovative, flexible and efficient vehicle to facilitate the solicitation and management of gifts, grants, bequest and devices
- To secure funds to provide for grants, awards and scholarships to individuals and projects which benefit Nevada students?
- To work in partnership with other existing public school district foundations and form an association/alliance with other Nevada Education Foundations
- To monitor and evaluate funded programs
- To provide information to all educators on the best practices learned from those programs
- To NOT fund programs that should be funded by local, state or federal resources.

Background

The Foundation was established in 1991 for public educational and charitable purposes in Nevada. The Foundation was reorganized December 13, 2000 with a new board of trustees. The Foundation has established four committees: Finance, Marketing/Fundraising, Recognition Programs and Allocations. The Board of Trustees has carefully selected its members so that they possess the leadership, financial and organizational skills to create a successful non-profit organization.

An Honorary Board has been established with Governor Kenny G. Guinn as honorary chairman. The board consists of many distinguished Nevada business owners, civic leaders and elected officials.

Programs Currently Available

NAME OF PROGRAM	SUPPORTING FOUNDATION
Teacher Recognition such as Teacher of the Year	E. L. Cord Foundation Barrick Gold Corporation Wells Fargo Community Foundation
Bully Free Schools	Nevada PTA E. L. Wiegand Foundation
Charter Schools Funding	Wells Fargo Community Foundation
Career Development Funding	Wells Fargo Community Foundation
Access to Postsecondary Education	USA Funds, Inc.
Entrepreneurship Education	Kauffman Foundation (in process)

Examples of programs that need funding in our state

Nevada's School to Careers is an outstanding program for students and educators to experience the world of business beyond the classroom. Nevada maintained one of the finest programs in the country and needs funds to continue efforts such as teacher externships, job shadowing, internships, and career development programs.

Leadership Training is needed for our Nevada education leaders in order for our schools to be among the best in the nation. Our education administrators and elected officials such as school board members need training in school improvement strategies, effective resource/budget management and raising adequate funds to support facilities and an excellent teaching staff.

Model education programs with exemplary results like those in Nevada's magnet schools and some of the charter schools need to be expanded system wide. NPEF is seeking resources that can be used to fund innovative programs that are successful. These models could be disseminated and replicated system-wide.

Community Areas Served

Nevada has seventeen county school districts with K-12 Public Education schools and programs that are served including urban and rural Nevada.

Clientele Served

All Nevada educators including administration, counselors, classroom teachers and support personnel may receive Nevada Public Education Foundation services.

All Nevada Public Education students during the current 2002-2003 school year, approximately 370,000 students.

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